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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

The response is submitted in response to the final Office Action, dated September 6, 2002. This response is being filed within the three-month date, i.e., December 6, 2002, and no fee is believed to be due accordingly. In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration is respectfully requested.